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Additional filing for elections

By HARRY BARNES
Press-Record Writer

The new year will bring to the Quad-City area a busy series of spring elections in which voters will elect city officials, township officers and park board commissioners.

While filing already is under way in Granite City for the municipal and township elections on April 5, other elections are to be held in other parts of the county on later dates scheduled to open Jan. 10.

Under the Election Code, Granite City conducts its municipal election on the first Tuesday of April because its boundaries are co-extensive to those of the township.

But other elections are held the third Tuesday of April (April 19 this year) in communities that are located within a township but have city boundaries not co-

extensive to those of the township.

Thus, Madison, Venice and Pontoon Beach in the Quad-City area will conduct April 19 elections. The Granite City Park District, applying an option for a variance as permitted by state law, also will hold its biennial election on April 19.

The Venice Park District, using a similar law, will hold its election on April 5. In earlier years the Granite City Park District held its election at the same time as the Granite City municipal election and Venice Park Board members held their election in conjunction with the municipal elections in Venice on the Tuesday of April.

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Filing of nominating petitions for city elections in Madison, Venice and Pontoon Beach will open on Jan. 10 and continue through Feb. 14, with petitions filed with the city or village clerks.

Park Board candidates in the three Venice or Granite City elections will file nominating petitions as candidates from Jan. 10 through Jan. 24, a 14-day filing period compared to a five-week filing period for candidates in the city elections.

In Venice this year, voters will elect a mayor, city clerk, city treasurer and one alderman in each of the city's four wards. Aldermanic terms expiring this year are those of Harry Buente of the First Ward, Hank Sveia of the Second Ward, Jim Ervin of the Third Ward and Tyrone Echols of the Fourth Ward.

Also expiring are the terms of Mayor William "Mike" Ebersold, City Clerk Lloyd H. Hennig and City Treasurer Hennie Baum. While filing has not yet opened, Ebersold has announced he will seek re-

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School voting on a Saturday is still likely

An election in which Granite City School District 9 will elect three members of the Board of Education this year is almost certain to be held on Saturday, April 9, it was reported today. Customarily school elections are held on the second Saturday of April. School districts, however, have the option to hold elections on the first Tuesday of April, a date that would coincide with some city and all township elections.

Some school districts in Illinois are applying the optional date of April 9 this year because Easter Sunday falls on April 10, the day after the date of a Saturday election.

The school board indicated today that the Granite City School board is expected to use the customary Saturday date this year as it has in the past, although the annual election timetable has not yet been approved by the School Board.

The Granite City School Board members whose terms

will expire in April 9 are Ebersold, City Clerk Lloyd Hennig and City Treasurer Hennie Baum. While filing has not yet opened, Ebersold has announced he will seek re-

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Robber takes bag, \$300

A robber stole a money bag containing \$300 and made a successful getaway at 6:50 p.m. Friday, near the right deposit box at American National Bank of Granite City, Nameoki and Fourth Streets.

The same man apparently attempted to get another depositor to relinquish a money bag a moment or two earlier at the same location.

Cindy Kemp, an employee of H. Salt Fish and Chips, 1512 Johnson Road, said the man wanted to get her bag but right-stated, "Give me the money."

The woman tried to put the money in the bank depository, but the man threatened her, saying "Give it to me or I'll have a weapon."

After he grabbed the bag, the robber pushed the woman and

told her to leave. She said the man ran to a car parked nearby and drove east along Fehling Road.

A witness to the robbery called police and said the robber had stopped on Nameoki Road, driving at a high rate of speed. The car was described as a newer model, possibly a Camaro.

An officer in a squad car at 27th Street and Madison Avenue recalled seeing an auto machine the description traveling south on Madison Avenue at a fast speed, but was unable to transmit the information due to radio malfunction. Also he was unaware that the robbery had taken place.

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CLOCK IS STOLEN
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FIRE ON INDEPENDENCE
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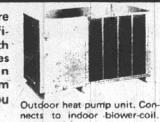
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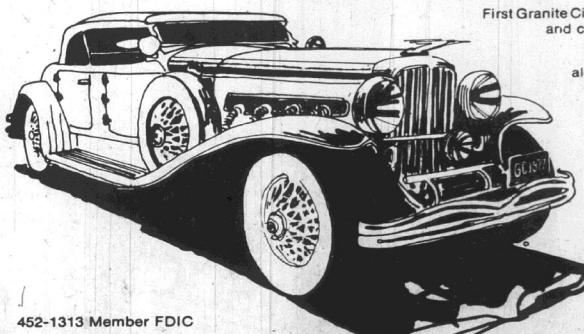
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Leo J. Brown, 67, dies in Highland

Leo J. Brown, 67, formerly of East St. Louis, died Saturday morning of James P. Brown of Madison, died Friday at the Chastain Nursing Home, Highland.

Also surviving is a brother, John J. Brown of East St. Louis. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Angels Catholic Church, East St. Louis.

Elections

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election, and Baucum has announced he will withdraw from politics. Patterson also is expected to file for re-election.

Madison voters also are to elect a mayor, clerk and treasurer and one alderman in each of the city's five wards. All three are up for election this year, whose offices will be open to elections, are Don Reeves, First Ward; Richard Kiser, Second Ward; Ray Kozelek, Third Ward; Christ Costoff, Fourth Ward; and Booker Walton, Fifth Ward.

Also expiring are the terms of Mayor Mike Sasyk, City Clerk John Gauchoff and City Treasurer Albert H. Hirsch. All three officials have indicated their election plans thus far.

In Pontoon Beach, only three members of the seven-man board of trustees will be elected. Candidates will compete for the three seats now expiring of Donald C. Rea, Raymond Gaudette Jr. and Paul Bennett.

Voters of Pontoon Beach elect their mayor and village clerk in "at large" elections because the village was established in 1963 which establishes the date for different four-year periods.

In the park district elections, Venet will elect three members, two to regular six-year terms, and one to fill the remaining four years of an unexpired term now filled by appointment.

You can reduce energy consumption in cooking by turning off the coil or the heating element so that more heat enters the pot and less is lost to the surrounding air.

Wash clothes in warm or cold water, and rinse in cold. Use hot water only if absolutely necessary.

Dry your clothes in consecutive loads. Once the dryer is warm, it cuts down on initial energy use.

Keep the lint screen in the dryer clean by removing lint after each load. Clothes take longer to dry if the screen is clogged with lint.

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QUESTION: WHAT DAY OF THE WEEK ARE ALL PEOPLE TODAY TO WORSHIP GOD?

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HUGE TREE which has been removed north of the intersection of Maryville Road and Stratford Lane to make way for the extension of Maryville Road from Pontoon Road southward to a point near East 23rd

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Street at Highway 162. This tree is one of several which have been cleared for the improvement project. At ground level the trunk measured nearly six feet in diameter.

(Press-Record Photo)

Probe use of stolen checks

Granite City authorities are conducting an investigation along with St. Louis authorities and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) into the cashing of forged checks at several banks, including one here at the First Granite City National Bank, Niedringhaus and Edison Avenues, in the amount of \$285.

A check cashed here last month on an account of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. and drawn from the Boatman's National Bank of St. Louis was reported to be one of 25 forged checks recently. Some of the stolen checks have been cashed in banks at Wood River, Belleville and Champaign.

Quick mine subsidence law urged

The 1976 House Executive Subcommittee on Mine subsidence has recommended that the House Executive Committee convene immediately in January to consider legislative solutions to the mine subsidence problem in Southern Illinois.

Monroe L. Flinn, D-Cahokia, chairman of the subcommittee and a Granite City State employee, said, "Over 80 percent of the work of reaching a legislative solution to the subsidence problem was completed by the subcommittee."

"Using the subcommittee's records and documents, the full House Executive Committee in January will be able to reach a legislative answer in short order."

The report makes three basic recommendations:

1. The General Assembly should update and recommit in January to adopt a mine subsidence legislative package.

2. It should use the records of the subcommittee in reaching a solution.

3. The Assembly should more thoroughly study the problems that mine subsidence is causing on agriculture lands.

In a letter transmitting the report to John S. Matjevich, D-Chicago, chairman of the House Executive Subcommittee, Flinn said he "had hoped that all members of the subcommittee would have reached agreement, but unfortunately this was not the case. The two Republicans on the subcommittee did not sign the report."

Flinn in his letter added that "an issue such as this is non-partisan and the main concern should be to find an immediate solution that will aid those property owners suffering from mine subsidence."

The subcommittee originally was created in June 1976 to study and make recommendations on the damage and losses mine subsidence causes for property owners.

According to testimony

released last August by a Senate Subcommittee, as many as 50 and militant Cuban groups have been involved in the proliferation of terrorist weapons and explosives in our country.

Information was developed

indicting the explosives were

destined for the U.S. to scatter

destruction during the Bicentennial. More than 1,000 pounds

of the stolen iremeite have not

been recovered.

It was also noted that every

time we local police seize

terrorist weapons and ex-

plosives, some lives have been

lost," Kelley said.

He added, "Terrorism

remains a threat to which the

FBI has committed a sub-

stantial part of its resources.

Every American should

be prepared to assist en-

forcement in discouraging its

proliferation in our country.

"Certainly, we don't want

terroristic activity to reach the

tragic and devastating

magnitude it has abroad and in

our country," Kelley said.

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"I hope that everyone plans on putting just a little more time aside for OA. The only way that we can do this is to do what we can do anything is if we have the help and support of everyone in the coming year. And speaking of help, Lyle Tempel, this year's pancake chairman, will need a lot of help for the pancake.

"I hope you do the job you expect, but only with your help will we be able to accomplish this."

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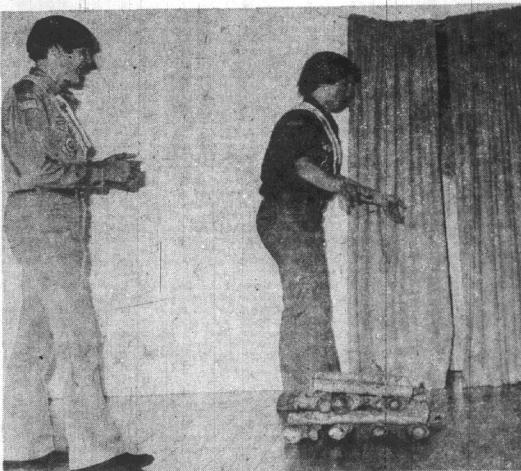
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CAHOKIA LODGE OFFICERS. New officers and advisers of Cahokia Lodge, Order of the Arrow, were introduced to the members at the lodge annual dinner held in St. John's United Church of Christ Thursday night. Front row, from left, Darrell Johns of Highland, lodge treasurer; Keith Sanders of Madison, lodge secretary; Robbie Schwarz of Highland, lodge vice-chief; Randy Affolter of Granite City, lodge chief; Reginald Mennerick, retiring lodge adviser; J. Richard Hooks of Madison, lodge adviser and William Monical supreme chief of the fire, issuing a challenge. Back row from left, Ned

Freeman, staff adviser; Jim Johns of Highland, Kickapoo Chapter adviser; Mike Evans of Highland, Kickapoo vice-chief; Dave Duncan of Highland, Kickapoo Chapter chief; Ben Hartmann of Collinsville, adviser, Illini Chapter; Darin McBride of Edwardsville, Illini Chapter secretary; Tim Herberts of Collinsville, Illini Chapter vice-chief; Gary Obernemann of Collinsville, partially hidden, Illini Chapter chief; Pat Poiter of Granite City, Uniwa Chapter secretary; Dave Throne of Granite City, Uniwa Chapter chief; Larry Todoroff of Granite City, Uniwa Chapter adviser.

(Press-Record Photo)



CAMPFIRE SKIT. Members of the Order of the Arrow dinner committee presented a typical campfire skit as part of the entertainment at the annual lodge dinner Thursday night. Leading typical "off key" songs are

Bill Kefalis, and Lyle Tempel. Seated, from left, are Bill Winter, Nick Tsigoloff, Bob Moske, and Ronnie Christ.

(Press-Record Photo)

Two boys caught in burglary try

Two 15-year-old boys face juvenile court action after they allegedly were caught by police inside a building at 2693 Washington Ave., at 2:05 a.m. today.

Herman Delaoye, who owns the building and who resides in a home at the rear of the building, said he has an intercom system installed between the home and the building and heard the boys breaking into the building. He then telephoned for police.

Patrolman Ed Wiesehan was the first to arrive on the scene.

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and reported he looked in the building and saw one youth crouched down by the front door. As the officer stopped the front door, he saw the youth move toward the rear of the building.

Police charged the operator with reckless driving. The report did not indicate whether Stafforff or his two passengers sustained injuries.

Wiesehan ordered the youth to stop and then to walk back to the front door and unlock it. The youth complied and Wiesehan then arrested the boy and had the boys breaking into the building. He then telephoned for police.

The boy said there was his companion and called out his companion to come out. The companion then surrendered to Wiesehan before other police arrived at the scene.

Officers alleged one juvenile had a hammer in his pocket. A window in the rear northeast window was broken and the window was then unlocked and opened to gain entry.

There were signs a desk had been taken and a rifle bag was found in the building containing papers belonging to Delaoye and to Dale C. Rea, assistant to the superintendent of the Granite City School District, officers said.

Pickup overturns

A sportbound pickup truck operated by Timmaya A. Stafforff, 18, of 2720 Angela Drive, struck the center median on Madison Avenue, near Nameoki Road, turned over and came to rest on its top at 10:55 p.m. Saturday.

Police charged the operator with reckless driving. The report did not indicate whether Stafforff or his two passengers sustained injuries.

CAB FARE DISPUTE

Eddie Abney, 45, of 1303 Twenty-First St., was charged with theft and disorderly conduct at 11 p.m. Friday in the rear of a City Hall in Granite City, when he reportedly refused to pay a \$10.60 fare to the cab driver, Richard Caulfield of the Checker Cab Co. Abney paid the fare the following day, the report stated.

GENERATOR BURNS
Granite City firemen were called to the A.O. Smith Corp. plant on Route 3 at 12:40 a.m. Saturday for a fire in a large generator, but plant employees had extinguished the fire by the time firemen arrived. No estimate of the damage was given.



ARROWMAN OF THE YEAR. District Commissioner Gene Evans, right, of Highland, was presented the Arrowman of the Year Award by Lodge Chief Randy Affolter. Thursday night. Evans was chosen from a membership of nearly 300 members for his outstanding service to the camping program of the Cahokia Mound Scout Council.

(Press-Record Photo)

Burglar enters through window

Paul Anders, 2200 Adams St., Apt. 3, reported at 9:45 p.m. Saturday, several items taken from his home by a burglar who pushed through a plastic window from the outside to gain entry.

Missing were a cassette tapeplayer, valued at \$60; an AM-FM radio, \$25; tool box and associated tools, \$100; two flashlights, \$10; cheese and potato chips, \$7; two glass candles, \$7; and a transistor radio, no value listed.

Consumer

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forbade in cooler indoor temperatures.

Be sure the fireplace damper is closed except when the fire is going.

—Repair leaky faucets, especially hot water faucets, as quickly as possible.

—Be sure the dishwasher is full, but not overloaded, before you turn it on. The average dishwasher uses 14 gallons of hot water a load.

—Scrap dishes, but do not rinse them before loading them into the washer. If rinsing is necessary, use cold water.

—Let your dishes air dry. After the final rinse, turn off the control knob and prop the door open.

—You can reduce energy consumption in cooking by using electric elements that have the heating element so that more heat enters the pot and less is lost to the surrounding air.

—Wash clothes in warm or cold water, and rinse in cold. Use hot water only if absolutely necessary.

—Dry your clothes in consecutive loads. Once the dryer is warm, it cuts down on initial energy consumption.

—Keep the lint screen in the dryer clean by removing lint after each load. Clothes take longer to dry if the screen is clogged with lint.

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Leo J. Brown, 67, dies in Highland

Leo J. Brown, 67, formerly of East St. Louis, father of James P. Brown of Madison, died Friday at the Chastain Nursing Home, Highland.

Also surviving is a brother, John J. Brown of East St. Louis.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Angels Catholic Church, East St. Louis.

Elections

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election, and Baucus has announced he will withdraw from politics. Patterson is also expected to file for re-election.

Madison voters are also to elect a new clerk and treasurer and one alderman in each of the city's five wards. Aldermanic terms expiring this year, whose offices will be open to elections, are Don Reeves, First Ward; Richard Kinner, Second Ward; Robert Meissner, Third Ward; Christ Cottol, Fourth Ward, and Booker Walton, Fifth Ward.

Also expiring are the terms of Mayor Mike Sasyk, City Clerk John Bell, and City Treasurer Albert Hoskstra. None of these officials have indicated their election plans thus far.

In Pontoon Beach, only three members of the seven-member board of trustees will be elected. Candidates will compete for the terms now expiring of Donald C. Rea, Raymond Gaudet and Paul Bennett.

Voters of Pontoon Beach elect their mayor or village clerk in "off-year" elections because the village was established in 1963 which establishes the date for different four-year periods.

In the park district elections, Voss will seek a third six-year term, and one to fill the remaining four years of an unexpired term now filled by appointment.

Three seats to be filled in this year's election are those of Cliff Cavner and Alfred Dill Crawford. The unexpired four-year term subject to election is that now filled by Mrs. Mary Gaudet, who was appointed to the term of John Mitchell, former Park Board president, who retired.

Other members of the Venice Park Board who continue to serve are Peter Ponce and Mrs. Valeta Baude.

In the Granite City Park Board election, the terms of Barry Loman and Henry Gariel will expire in 1978. Following the year, other board members are George H. Sykes, Bob Patrick and Jake Hinterser.

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A children's play, "The Golden Grotto or Bracko the Prince Frog," will be presented Tuesday and Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Granite City High School South Oral Interpretation I class in the school auditorium.

Children through the sixth grade will be admitted free and adults will be charged 50 cents.

The play is written and directed by Mrs. Ruth Klaus.

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ages. A magic grotto under a castle provides the setting for the play.

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Feed grain allotment

A 1977 national feed grain allotment of 89 million acres has been announced by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). This figure is unchanged from 1976. Lee E. Lewis, Madison County director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, reports.

The national allotment represents the harvested acreage that will produce the quantity of corn, sorghum and

barley USDA estimates the U.S. will use domestically and for export during the 1977-78 marketing year.

The national allotment does not represent a limit on the amount of feed grain that may be planted. It is used as a basis for making payments to producers who sell market grain fall below the established target prices or should growers qualify for disaster payments, Rogers adds.

In 1976, producers, responding to the marketplace rather than the allotment, planted 112 million acres of corn, sorghum and barley.

USDA believes that in 1977 producers will again study prices and demand in planning their farming operations and, therefore, the national allotment of actual acres planted may not coincide.

The department will not make deficiency payments on 1976 wheat and barley.

Current legislation provides that deficiency payments will be made to producers based on the national weighted average price received by farmers for the first five months of the marketing year (June-October) for wheat and barley.

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The national weighted average price received by farmers for the first five months of the marketing year was \$3.08 per bushel for wheat and \$2.41 per bushel for barley. These exceed the target prices of \$2.29 and \$1.28 for wheat and barley, respectively.

"This makes a total of 325 years of service at Jennison-Wright Corporation for these 15 employees," Carver noted.

Jennison-Wright workers honored

Fifteen employees of The Jennison-Wright Corporation have received service awards, Carl Carter, general manager of the firm, announced last week.

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Frank G. Gordon, 45 years; Marvinville Road, 25 years; Clarence Evans, 20 years; Roland Lashley, St. Louis, 25 years; Jacqueline I. Isham, 20 years; Indiana Avenue, 20 years.

James Martin, 5129 Lakewood Drive, 20 years; J. T. Clifton, 2716 Harding, 20 years; Will Young, St. Louis, 15 years; Carl Corrington, 20 years; Carl Davis, 20 years; Getus Karban, Collinsville, 5 years; and Johnnie Brown, Edwardsville, 5 years.

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ELEVENTH AUTO CENTER
The Lampert Company has announced the opening of its eleventh Lampert Auto Center store in East Alton. The 4,000-square-foot store will be at 637 Berkshire Blvd. in the Wilshire Mall.

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STUDENT INTERVIEW. Prather Junior High School students stage a career interview with Mrs. Faye Vaughn about her career as computer specialist with the U. S. Government. Students gained information of computer work and civil service. The interview took place in Mrs. Carol Hildebrand's second hour language arts class. From left, Ron Fritts, Dan Moutria, Richard Bruce, Betsy Clark, Tim Flaugher and seated, Mrs. Vaughn.

Seek zoning for new restaurant

A request for commercial zoning at 3016 Nameoki Road for construction of an Arthur Treacher's Fish and Chips Restaurant will be considered during the regular meeting of the Granite City Plan Commission at 1:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, at the city offices, 2301 Adams St.

The property presently is zoned R-4, which permits residential use and a C-1 commercial classification is being requested.

The Plan commission also is to consider a request from John Franklin, Jr., 101 E. C. M. St., 1637 Maple St., to operate a small business to sharpen hand tools and repair small motors. The property presently is zoned R-4 for residential use.

The plan commission meetings are public and persons having comments or ob-

City clerk workshops

The State Board of Elections, in cooperation with the Illinois Municipal League, will conduct a series of election workshops throughout the state in January for municipal clerks, it was announced by Franklin J. Manding, Jr., chairman of the state board.

One will be at the Alton City Hall council chambers, 101 E. 3rd St., from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, Jan. 14.

Six workshops have been scheduled in preparation for primary elections to be held by some Illinois municipalities in February, followed by general elections to be held in April.

State board of elections staff members will lead the workshops including discussions on clerks' duties and responsibilities.

The workshops are open to municipal clerks and interested citizens.

On Thursday there will be two different classes. One from noon until 3 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church, 4300 Edwards St., and from 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. at the Niedringhaus United Methodist Church, 20th Street and Delmar Avenue.

GED classes scheduled

Persons in the Quad-City area wishing to work for a General Educational Development (GED) certificate may do so beginning Wednesday and Thursday.

The tuition-free program, taught by certified teachers, provides academic training for adults wishing to earn the high school equivalency certificate.

On Wednesday, classes will be held from noon until 3 p.m. at the Bellone's, United Presbyterian Church, 4700 Penton Road.

On Thursday there will be two different classes. One from noon until 3 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church, 4300 Edwards St., and from 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. at the Niedringhaus United Methodist Church, 20th Street and Delmar Avenue.

Two corporation charters issued

Foreign corporation charters have been issued by the state of Illinois to Avante Enterprises, Inc., and to Southeastern Management, Inc., it was announced by Secretary of State Michael J. Howlett.

Both charters list Gary Farnam, of Prairie Court, Arlington Heights, as charter and president and both have a stated capital of \$1,000.

Both corporations are "to engage in the business of general consulting, business management and real estate."

Correspondent for both corporations is Dwight Taylor, attorney, 1862 Vandall St., Collinsville.

Dates Set for Hearing Aid Service Center

Granite City — Every Wednesday has been designated as hearing aid service days in the Granite City area.

A local Bellone Hearing Aid Service Center will be held at 1304 Niedringhaus. Chuck Miles, a factory-trained Bellone Hearing Aid Specialist, will be there from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to conduct free electronic hearing tests and assist with all hearing needs.

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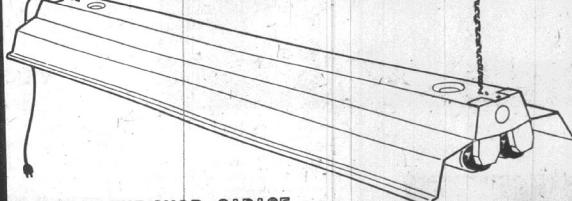


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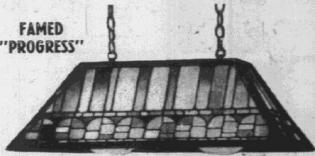


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Miss Karen Kebbel and Roger Massey are wed

Miss Karen J. Kebbel, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Kebbel, 710 Lillian, Collinsville, and Mrs. Jean Wallace of Granite City and Roger K. Massey, exchanged wedding vows in a candlelight ceremony on Dec. 12 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Collinsville.

Parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Massey, reside at 1007 North 6th St., Washington Park.

Burning tapers in hurricane lamp aisle standards festooned with white satin bows and Cinnabar decorated cradles with green glass, red carnations and three red candles adorned the altar with white candles in branched candelabra on each side, provided the setting for the dimly lit ceremony performed at 4 p.m. by the Rev. John G. Koch.

Organist Debbie Vette accompanied the soloist, Connie Koch, Nuptial selections included "Jesus, Match of Man's Desiring," "Gift of Love," "Jesus Shepherd, Be Thou Near Me," "Wedding Song" and "Hallelujah Chorus."

Escorted down the white carpet runner and given in marriage by her father, the former Miss Kebbel, selected a full length bridal satin gown designed with an Empire waist and a tiered skirt featuring a high neckline and sheer oval yoke lavishly appliqued with Chantilly lace motifs.

The bejeweled bride was cuff'd with wide bands of lace and the semi-full skirt and train were accented with matching lace appliques.

The groom was a lace bordered vest of black illusion and carried a lace-style bouquet of white daisies, baby carnations, some tipped in royal blue and others in burgundy hues, intermingled with baby's breath tied with white satin ribbons and centered with a cluster of lace and ribbons.

Maid of honor Miss Deidre Kebbel and bridesmaid Miss Leticia Kebbel, both sisters of the bride, wore a special royal blue polyester knit halter style gown featuring velvet collar.

A 1976 graduate of Collinsville High School, the bride attended Belleville Area College and is presently employed at St. Louis Union Trust Co.

The groom graduated from Berewin Christian High School in 1972 and is working at Howard Hall in Collinsville.

The newly married couple are residing in Collinsville.

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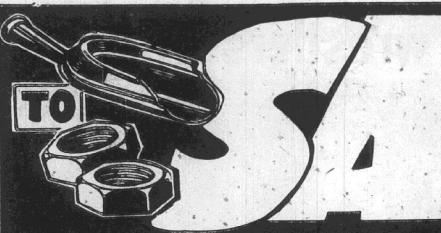
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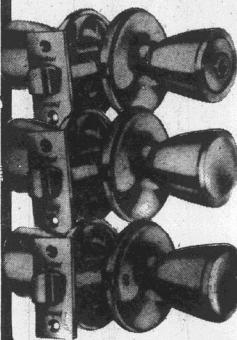
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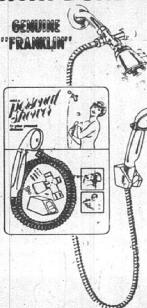
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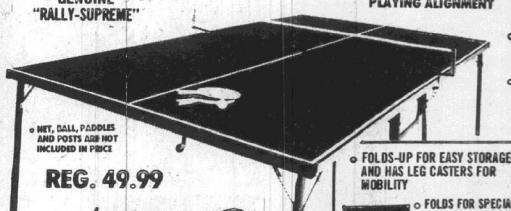
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THURSDAY
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Spirit of '76
Jo Ann Wagner 181, 500

Garden Girls
Phyllis Fink 233, 553

Jack and Jill
Mike Reichwein 216, 562

Diane Sumpter 223, 550
Bubblettes
Lucy Hoffman 254, 599

Bowl-A-Rama
Jardena Miller 213
Millie Nage 517

Jackie Hopkins 517
Lowland
Beginners
Cherry Barron 173
Lucy Thompson 409

Senior Citizens
(American Division)
Premo Cito 214, 561
Ted Weller 167, 466

(National Division)
Jack Vartan 200, 539

Lena Scarborough 190, 470
Diggers
Ann Reeves 214, 457
Steve Giesler 196
Vic Walther 571

Tri-City Men
Glenn Koertge 236, 607
Welcome Wagon
Betty Arbeiter 211, 532

Mixers
Sue Johnson 214, 558
John Halwachs 247, 609

UNDERCOATING—
RALPH'S TEXACO
22ND & MADISON 4-VE.

Madison High School's Trojan cagers went undefeated in the 16th annual Mater Dei holiday tournament, winning all four contests, including Thursday night's 47-41 title game triumph over the East St. Louis Assumption Pioneers.

Coach Larry Graham's team, now with a 10-0 record, started 1976-77 strong, returned to the tournament after an absence since 1968 after having posted back-to-back championships in 1966 and 1967.

Assumption, winner in 1968 and 1969, entered the tourney as an unseeded team.

After sidelining top-seeded Madison 44-45, the Pioneers beat Greenville 45-46 and then Okawville 54-41 to advance into the championship game.

Madison beat Highland 74-62, undefeated Nashville 77-75 and host Mater Dei 82-52 to meet the Pioneers.

The Trojans led 12-11, 22-21 and 34-30 at the quarters and then outscored Assumption 13-11 in the final period of the close title contest.

Both teams experienced difficulty in connecting with the basket. Madison made 19 field goals in 60 attempts, and Assumption 17 of 50.

From the free line, Madison made nine of 13 tosses and Assumption seven of 18. MHS had the most turnovers, 16-14, but controlled the boards, 35-21.

Each team had five field goals in the opening period, but Madison made five baskets in the second quarter and Assumption three, but the Pioneers kept the score close with the help of four free throws.

The previous high of 322 points was set by Madison in 1966.

Tennis instruction plans are being made

Earl "Butch" Buchholz Jr., who now operates numerous indoor tennis clubs throughout Illinois, Missouri and Colorado, will lead a tennis clinic for boys, age 15 and under doubles players. Earl H. Buchholz Sr. serving as instructor.

Buchholz headed a similar instructional program in the Granite City Optimist Club; 500 local youths participated.

Rain said dates on which each Saturday's half-hour sessions will be conducted have not yet been determined.

Members will be charged \$10 for the course and non-members \$20.

Buchholz has participated in the sport as a player or instructor for the past 41 years and has instructed two of his sons who went on to become tennis champions and earn national titles.

"Butch" later turned professional with the Wimbleton junior championship. He was the only player who ever won the junior junior grand slams tournaments in international tennis—the Australian national, French national, the Kent, England national, and the U.S. national titles.

He is now the professional tennis commissioner.

Buchholz said both of his sons won major men's tournaments in St. Louis before they had reached the age of 16.

"Yes, my boys possessed no physical or mental attributes that would not be considered average."

"This is important, because people have the idea you are either a good tennis player or you're not."

"Any one can learn to play and possibly become good at it," he said.

Ice hockey players are back from holiday tour

Three participating teams of the Granite City Amateur Ice Hockey League returned from a week-long holiday tournament at Houston, Tex., against teams from the United States and Canada, 3-5 and 0-1.

P&S won a fourth-place P&S won a fourth-place

Division contest in the final.

P&S had a 1-1 record in a

home-and-home

series against the Fort Worth

local squad then won 4-2 over Dallas and lost 1-2 to Houston.

Five Division contests to

earn second place. The Granite City team won 6-0 over Dallas and 2-0 over Burbank, Calif., lost 6-7 to Houston and 1-2 to Dallas, then won 4-3 over Burbank.

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Pontoon Board lacks quorum

The Pontoon Beach Village Board was unable to take any official action during its regular meeting Thursday night for lack of a quorum.

Among those absent was Village President Donald Moss who he explained in a letter to the board he had been injured in an auto accident near Effingham. Thursday morning and was remaining in bed on his doctor's orders.

Moss is recuperating from minor injuries and was able to leave his home today.

The board members decided to postpone to early special meeting. The next regular meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the village hall.

4 treated after crash

Four Edwardsville residents were taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Hospital at 11:30 a.m. Friday after they were injured in an auto accident at Centreville Road and Route 159 in Edwardsville.

Admitted to the hospital were Barry Sues, 21, who suffered a broken leg and an injury to his right knee, and Miss Tammy Jackson, 17, who broke her right leg and injured her chest.

Both were taken to the hospital by ambulance and released from the hospital were Dale Grilling, 18, who struck his head on the steering wheel, and Miss Heather Owens, 15, who suffered a cut to the right side of her head.

NORTH BAND PARENTS TO MEET TUESDAY

A meeting of the Granite City High School North Band Parents will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school library, according to Harold Stoker, president.

Births

Births recorded at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

GIRLS

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Haddix, 305 West Chain of Rocks Road, Dec. 30, Jill Rebecca, eight pounds, 7 oz.; Mr. and Mrs. Roger McDaniel, Caseyville, Jan. 1, Heather Lynn, eight pounds, 15 ounces.

Obituaries

GREENE, MRS. GRACE, 2723 Harvey Place, Entered into rest 2:10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 30, 1976, at St. Elizabeth Hospital. Beloved wife of the late Stanley V. Greene; dear aunt. Funeral services 1 p.m. today, Monday, Jan. 3, at BAPTIST HOME OF THE A.M.E. MORTUARY Chapel, 2205 Pontoon Road, Interment St. John Cemetery, Collinville.

PRATT, MRS. BONNIE PAULINE, 1862 Bent Twig Lane, Tustin, Calif., formerly of Granite City. Entered into rest Saturday, Jan. 1, 1976, at John Jackson Hospital, Tustin, Calif.

Beloved wife of the late William A. Pratt; dear mother of Mrs. Twila Jean Smith; dear grandmother.

Funeral services 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, at the Third Baptist Church, 2601 Grand Ave., from MERCER MOR-TUARY Chapel, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave. Interment Sunset Hill Cemetery, Edwardsville Township. Visitation after 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Monuments and Markers

NEW GLEAMING STOCK WORK ARRIVING CONSTANTLY OPEN SUNDAY

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Monument Works
1711 State St.
876-0426

Two hurt in 2-car crash

Two persons incurred injuries in an auto accident taking place at 12:15 p.m. Friday on Nameoki Road at Cottage Avenue with the westbound vehicle of Arthur J. Valencia, 3124 Davis Ave., and a southbound auto operated by Rony J. Bonds, 4909 Redwood Lane, collided.

Bonds, 18, was ticketed on a charge of failing to yield the right of way. He was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Hospital where he received a laceration to the head and knee pains and was released.

Bonds had blood hair. One was tall and the other was much shorter, the couple said.

The Seibolds were sent by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Hospital, where Seibold was treated and then released.

Two men attack couple at home

As Mr. and Mrs. John Seibold, 1700 Bremen Ave., parked in the driveway at their home at 3:30 a.m. Saturday, another vehicle came into the drive and two men alighted and began shooting.

Mrs. Seibold tried to stop one assailant and was struck on the face. The other man told his companion, "I told you not to hit me."

Both men had blood hair. One was tall and the other was much shorter, the couple said.

The Seibolds were sent by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Hospital, where Seibold was treated and then released.

Take \$55 cash from station

A burglar stole \$55 cash from a tool box kept under the desk at the Sonic Service Station, Harold Bennett, 2032 Dewey Ave., informed police Saturday.

According to Long Lake Fire Chief Donald Rutherford, a burglar plane landed in Dave Hill of Davenport, Iowa, who had landed about an hour or two before the fire.

"We think a portable heater or a radio was stolen," he said. "It had about \$4,000 damage to the plane which is worth about \$5,500," Rutherford said.

"We had 21 firemen at the scene, and hit the motor with a hose. The cockpit was filled with smoke and fire and we hit that with water," Rutherford said.

Complaint filed

Gregory J. Turnbough, 28, who said he had no current address, was arrested at the apartment of a friend and charged with battery on a complaint signed by his former wife, Mrs. Barbara Turnbough, 2040 Ohio Ave., at 1:30 a.m. Sunday. He was released on \$50 bond.

Mrs. Green said her brother fell inside the door and was helped by a couple of friends, police said.

Petrillo was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Hospital and underwent surgery. He was admitted and unable to make a statement to officers.

Rites today for W. L. Kneeler

William L. Kneeler, 54, of Susan Court, Caseyville, was pronounced dead at 1:30 p.m. Friday by Dr. Barbara Turnbough, 2040 Ohio Ave., at 1:30 a.m. Sunday. He was released on \$50 bond.

Mrs. Turnbough alleged her former husband had obtained a key to the back door of her home, entered the house and beat her face, head and three sisters.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. today at a Caseyville funeral home.

Faces 4 charges

After officers followed an auto from St. Clair and National avenues to the 2400 block of Sunbury Avenue at 1:30 p.m. Friday, they arrested Steven J. Piechocinski, 21, of 2405 Sunbury Ave.

Piechocinski allegedly attempted to hide from the vehicle and became abusive and loud when questioned according to a police officer who sustained a minor injury when Piechocinski braced himself against the squad car door and refused to get in, officers said.

The motorist was charged with reckless driving, driving while intoxicated, disorder conduct, and illegal transportation of liquor. He posted \$175 bond and was released.

CAR HITS SIGN

At 12:05 a.m. Saturday, a Friday caused an estimated \$2,000 damage to a mobile home at Parkton West Mobile Home Park, occupied by John Buhman.

Firemen believe the fire from the mobile heater overheated and started the wall on fire. The fire spread into the bathroom and between the ceiling of the rear half of the mobile home.

Firemen fought the blaze for one hour and 30 minutes. They were recalled to the fire scene at 2:30 a.m. Friday when fire rekindled in the mobile home. Damage to the fire was estimated at \$3,000 to the mobile home and \$200 to its contents.

Girl, 4, breaks leg in car mishap

Rosemary L. Edwards, 4, of 3105 Kirkpatrick Homes, a passenger in a car involved in an accident at 11 a.m. Friday on Washington and Jackson Streets, sustained injuries and was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Police said Michael R. Coughlin, 21, of 4445 Washington Ave., had stopped his auto to turn left into a service station when a vehicle operated by Sharon K. Olyny of Alton slid into the rear of the Coughlin car.

The Olyny auto was standing on the back seat of the Olyny auto, fell to the floor and suffered a fracture of the left leg. She was admitted.

SPRINKLERS BREAK

A malfunction in a fire detection system at Elizabeth Hospital at 4:45 a.m. Saturday caused the sprinkler system to release water onto the floor of the snack bar, cafeteria and kitchen. A spokesman for the hospital said the incident caused one thousand dollars in property damage and the water was quickly cleaned up.

TREATED FOR CUTS

Robert E. Loving, 21, of 804 Webster St., Madison, was treated for cuts about the face after police found him in a restroom of Garrett's Lounge, 801 Jackson St., at 12:15 a.m.

Friday Loving suffered a cut above the left eyebrow and a cut to the left side of the nose. He was admitted at St. Elizabeth Hospital after treatment.

News notes

Congress will begin its new session tomorrow, with representatives considering employment and tax issues, and senators concentrating on committee reorganization and the Senate Select Committee on Small Business.

Senate hearings will be held on nominees of President-elect Jimmy Carter.

President Gerald R. Ford was reelected Nov. 7, 1976, and Puerto Rico will become the 51st state.

President Carter said he is willing to meet with congressional leaders to discuss the future of the foreign trade zone plan.

Creation of new manufacturing jobs is the main purpose

Trade zone here would offer more than St. Louisian's plan

of such zones and this conforms with the Tri-City Port proposal.

It would be possible to have zones designated in both Illinois and Missouri but the Slav warehouse Co. to the Tri-City Port District's trade zone application filed last week in Washington.

Bulk goods could be loaded and unloaded directly into and out of the proposed local zone, which would provide space for industries to build their own plants.

The Slav plan cannot be forwarded to the board until approved by St. Louis aldermen. It is proposed that the city contract with Slav's Bi-State

Warehouse Co. to operate the port at 3300 S. 2nd St.

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both of these aspects, it is being considered.

The Tri-City Port would build a 100,000-square-foot warehouse and provide an asphalt surface for another 100,000 feet of outdoor storage.

Firms voicing interest in a zone here include Chromaloy Corp., Bremerton, Bremo Shoe Co., Smith-Kline Clinical Laboratories and Warner-Jenkinson Co.

6 arrested, shots fired; \$10,400 and drugs worth \$57,000 are confiscated

William L. Verner, 32, of Collinwood, a sports copy editor and sports reporter for the Metro-East Journal, was arrested Friday in Edwardsville.

Six persons were arrested in Madison and St. Clair Counties Thursday night and Friday by agents of the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois (MEGSI).

shots, sales were fired in an auto at the cars of other agents conducting surveillance.

Gerald Robert Heinemeier, 30, was charged with delivery of cocaine over 30 grams and aggravated assault, while Charles Michael Schneider, 24, of Edwardsville, was arrested for aggravated assault.

The two allegedly were found in Schneider's car along with a knife and a .38-caliber revolver.

Bossie said that after the \$4,400 purchase, agents set up another purchase of six ounces of cocaine over 30 grams.

He is charged with selling cocaine to agents for \$500 a few

months ago at his home and then arranging for agents to buy two ounces of cocaine for \$4,400 at the Heinemeier residence in Edwardsville.

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The new district now is operating with three members, Robert E. Kneeler of Granite City, and Leonard J. Hylia of Madison and John T. Erdahl of Washington Park, both Republicans. Robinson and Hylia were appointed by Madison County Board

Chairman Nelson Hagnauer and Erdahl was one of three St. Clair County board members whose appointment was approved.

St. Clair County still must name two more trustees, but has been unable to do so because of a factional fight between County Board members.

The law currently says the trustees are to be appointed by the chairman of the board of the two counties.

Victor P. Carty, chairman of the St. Clair County Board, has presented the names of appointees on three occasions, but they have been rejected in each case.

Finn said he did not foresee the battle over appointments and noted that if something happened to anyone of the three present board members, it could close the entire district.

He said he has asked the reference bureau of the Illinois legislature to draw up an amendment to permit the appointment by the members of the county boards, with nominations made in one board meeting and the election of the trustee to be held the next board meeting.

He said another alternative is to have the governor appoint the five trustees, but that he hesitates to follow that course because such appointments are usually made from a list of recommended appointees.

1976 precipitation far below normal

The Quad-City area ended the year with a record low rainfall—only 10.6 inches for the 12 months of the year.

The total precipitation was 16.40 inches below normal rainfall of 34.45 inches for the year.

The shortage created drought conditions early last summer, which continued through the fall and winter. Only .66 of an inch of precipitation was recorded during December compared to a normal of 1.97 inches for the month.

According to rainfall records maintained by the Army Corps of Engineers, rainfall in the Quad-City area was below normal in 10 of 12 months of 1976.

The only exceptions were in March when 2.69 inches of rain fell in the area, compared to a normal of 2.34 inches for that month, and October when 3.22 inches of rain fell in the area, compared to a normal of 2.86 inches.

Record rainfall in five of the ten months in which precipitation was less than normal, shows less than one inch of rain.

The Quad-Cities began the year with two months of rain that measured a total of .92 of an inch, still below normal. January was the driest month of the year.

February was the wettest month of the year with 2.19 inches of rain, compared to a normal of 1.71 inches.

March was the driest month of the year with .66 of an inch of rain, compared to a normal of 1.49 inches.

During December, precipitation was recorded on only four days, and of this amount .35 of an inch resulted from a two-inch snowfall on

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Clean environment discourages food poisoning in home

By JANETTE MUELLER,
Madison County Extension
Adviser, Home Economics

Do you care about food products with as much regard for cleanliness and sanitation as the United States Department of Agriculture requires of the food industry?

Unfortunately, a recent government food care survey indicates that many homemakers rely almost entirely on government inspection of fresh meat and poultry for protection.

This attitude overlooks the fact that food poisoning bacteria are always present in the environment and the human body.

According to meat inspectors with USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service—in meat plants as well as in the home—to protect clean and wholesome meat products, use correct cooking methods when handling food will reduce bacterial contamination and

prevent many foodborne diseases.

Food care rules are simple: Keep hot foods HOT. Keep cold foods COLD. Keep all food CLEAN.

First, wash away with soap and hot water as many of the harmful bacteria as possible from food utensils and food contact surfaces.

Then kill or stop the growth of those remaining bacteria by controlling the temperatures at which food is prepared, stored and served.

Avoid allowing food to remain at temperatures where bacteria grow and multiply: degrees F. And remember, do not handle food if you have infected cuts or sores on your hands.



REV. AND MRS. LEROY FILBY, 2320 Winters Drive, who were honored on their 60th wedding anniversary at a party hosted by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Zimmer in Staunton.

60th anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. Filby

The Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Filby, 2320 Winters Drive, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at a party given by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Zimmer (Mildred) in their home in Staunton, last week.

The couple lived in Granite City for 58 years before moving to their country home in Bunker Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorentz were married on Dec. 24, 1916, in Granite City. She is the former Gertrude Woodson, born in Stewart County, Tenn.

Mr. Lorentz, born in St. Charles, Mo., retired from the Terminal Railroad after teaching 33 years. Mr. and Mrs. Lorentz are members of the First Assembly of God Church in Cottage Hills, Ill., and spend most of their time traveling and attending gospel meetings.

The couple also has a son, Robert Lorentz of Arnold, Mo., and four granddaughters.

Out-of-town relatives and guests included Mr. and Mrs. John Nutter, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Martin and daughter, Marinda, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips, and Mrs. Erna Lorentz.

Hospital notes

Patients admitted to St. Elizabeth Hospital Saturday: Andrea White, 19, Empire; Joyce Munro, 28, Birch, Vera Vargas, 49, Niedringhaus; Peggy Stuart, 3001 E. 23rd; Leroy Logan, Brooklyn; Patricia Luperadus, 2220 Ohio; Michaela L. Johnson, 20, Edelweiss; Madision, Joseph Rieken, 2222 Leonard Stone, 1903A 6th; Madison; Russell Richardson, 5141 Old Alton, Lee Welton, 2630 Missouri; Jonella Beaman, 2001 Hill, 1502 Third, Madison; Harold Bellingar, 2433 Iowa; Scott Kueker, Collinsville; Michelle Springer, 35 Mikel Drive.

Womens Aglow meeting set

The Granite City Chapter of Womans Aglow Fellowship will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Jan. 12, at the Moose Club, 19th and Adams streets, according to club officers.

Guest speaker will be Mrs.

302 Kirkpatrick; Victoria Kent, 5 Wilson Park; Aline Collins, 2813 West 22nd; Perry Gaines, 2258 Edison; Randal Young, 5141 Old Alton; Lee Welton, 2630 Missouri; Jonella Beaman, 2001 Hill, 1502 Third, Madison; Harold Bellingar, 2433 Iowa; Scott Kueker, Collinsville; Michelle Springer, 35 Mikel Drive.

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Protestant Welfare install officers

An installation of officers who will serve with the Protestant Welfare Association, Inc., for the forthcoming year was conducted Tuesday night by the Rev. Robert Kettlehus, during a meeting held at St. Peter Evangelical United Church of Christ.

The 1976-77 corps of officers include Keith Whittle, president; Raymond Vaughn, vice-president; Orville Ganz, treasurer and Mrs. Irma Taylor, secretary.

Rev. Kettlehus gave the opening address followed by the group singing Christmas carols.

Whittier conducted the business meeting and reports

were given by the trustees. Last secretary, Mrs. Marie Whittle, office secretary, reported there were 45 cases involving 132 persons assisted during November.

Total cost for food, utilities and lodging amounted to \$663 and 14 orders of clothing and shoes totaled \$128 with an additional \$28 for bed linens and a room. This was also donated to needy residents, according to Mrs. Whittle.

During the meeting Mrs. Minnie Dillard presented Mrs. Whittle with a gift from the organization as a token of appreciation.

The president said the next meeting on Jan. 18 will be held at Concordia Lutheran Church, 2301 Grand Ave.

East Bank Players present yule skit

The East Bank Players performed a skit entitled "Nativity" before a matinee at the annual Christmas party hosted by the Mexican Honorary Commission at the organization's hall, 1801 Spruce St., last week.

A single scene "posada" reenacting the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem was also presented with the members joining in the carols singing both in Spanish and English.

Rev. Filby served as minister with the Assemblies of God association until his retirement in 1967.

Rev. Filby's also have five grandchildren, David Lee and Paul Zimmer, Mrs. Connie Parks, Mrs. Karen Rising and Mrs. Kathy Burgess and seven great-grandchildren.

Several films were shown, followed by a visit from Santa

Claus who gave presents and sang Christmas carols.

Debbie Mendez, club Chaplain, offered prayer prior to the buffet dinner attended by 200 members and guests.

Robert Robles, the retiring president, extended season greetings and the new president announced the club will hold a New Year's dance which is open to the public.

The annual scholarship dance held in memory of the late Joe Gonzales is planned for March 19, the president added.

Rose Grim and Mary Martinez served as hostesses for the holiday party which concluded with the breaking of the piñata.

Bethel 43 plans candy sale

Miss Kim Rapp officiated at the first meeting of her term as president of Bethel 43, Order of Daughters of the American Revolution.

Coffee and donuts will be served at 9 a.m. followed by the meeting from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. There will be nursery facilities available for women in the audience who are invited to attend, it was announced.

The February meeting will be combined with a luncheon at the Holiday Inn, Edwardsville, at 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 3. Tickets are available at the Kress, Belk and Steeles in Granite City and reservations must be made no later than Monday, Jan. 31, the officers said.

Escorted and introduced were three past queens: Queen Carolyn Rapp, Leslie Houser and Becky Burke. Miss Burke is the junior past honored queen and was the guest of honor for the evening. She received her past queens jewel from Miss Rapp on behalf of Bethel.

Contributions were expected to Laura Ganit on earning the "Job of the Term" award and the runner-up candidates Kendra Rapp, Gena

Fox, Melissa Travis and Mary Lou Metcalfe were also introduced.

The queen announced 11 members participated in singing carols at Anchorage followed by visiting a living manager at the Crossroads Temple.

Guardian Mrs. Rebecca State and associate Guardian Martin Love opened the session.

Fiveteen members formed the living carol at the insistence of Queen Carolyn Rapp, Leslie Houser and Becky Burke. Miss Burke is the junior past honored queen and was the guest of honor for the evening. She received her past queens jewel from Miss Rapp on behalf of Bethel.

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The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Jan. 11 at the Masonic Temple.

A large decorated Christmas tree was centered among triangle tables in the dining room for the social party which included a gift exchange and visit from Santa Claus, after the meeting.

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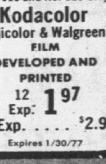


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Lawmakers hear taxpayers' voice

SPRINGFIELD. — That much discussed "taxpayers' revolt" has indeed become a reality.

That was the feeling before the Statehouse in the wake of the Illinois House rejection of the controversial bill for pay raises for legislators and state officeholders.

In the past when the lawmakers were asked for a raise, and that of other officials there has been a general hue and cry.

But it never seemed to last very long, for legislators took it seriously. The pay hikes were usually voted in advance of the next election — like the latest effort — and voters forgot about them.

by them.

There is no historical record of any Illinois legislator ever having been defeated because he voted himself a pay raise.

But these are changing times and it is apparent that many a lawmaker is no longer sure that his constituents think he is making a fair deal.

Actually, a fairly good case

for higher pay for lawmakers was made by supporters of the Legislative and House Speaker William Redmond.

Despite occasional voices

mentioning the Illinois legisla-

tive has become virtually a

fulltime operation. No one

really takes seriously the

possibility that it might

someday revert to biennial

sessions.

Now does it appear likely

that sessions in even-numbered years will ever be con-

tinued to budget and fiscal

maters as many have hoped.

Any person elected to the

Illinois legislature can expect

to spend a good deal of his

time in Springfield. Those

who insist that persons

capable of doing a good job of

making the state's laws can-

not be at \$20,000-a-year

may well have a point.

For compensation purposes

it should be noted that ac-

cording to statistics in the

latest volume of the Book of

the States prepared by the

Constitutional State Govern-

ments, only two states cur-

rently pay their legislators

more than does Illinois.

They are New York at

\$47,000 for two years of work

and California, \$46,464. Illi-

nois legislators' pay amounts

to \$40,000 over a two-year

period.

Two-year payments by

other major states include

Maine, \$36,000; Ohio, \$36,000; Pennsylvania, \$31,200;

Texas and Florida, \$14,000.

Regardless of the merits of

Robber

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she was making a deposit in the night box and stated, "Don't drop it. Don't make the drop at the door."

The employee said she ran to the box and dropped the money inside, locking it. The robber, who was wearing an OK shirt, did not get the money back. He then proceeded to unlock the box, but failed to retrieve the bag which had dropped into the lower cashbox.

The clothing store employee said the man ran toward a large silver car parked under the drive-in window area.

She said the robber, who had a gun in his right hand as he approached her, but placed it into his right coat pocket after she dropped the money in the drop box.

The same man may have been asking questions at the Kabin-Robbins Ice Cream store in American Village Shopping Center, 1700 block of the side of the road, a short time before the robbery occurred, indicating he was with the police department, one person said.

The robber was described as a black male, six feet, four inches tall, weighing between 165 and 190 pounds and clean shaven.

He had a medium Afro haircut — a source described it as short — was wearing a medium tan brown coat, brown pants and two-tone brown and white shoes. One woman said his coat was a fake-leather tan PVC jacket.

Mrs. Pratt dies at 72

Mrs. Bonnie Pauline Pratt, 72, of 202 Bell Twig Lane, Tustin, Calif., formerly of Granite City, died Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital, where she had been a patient one week.

She was born in St. Louis and resided here 55 years.

Mrs. Greene was a member of the First Baptist Church, the Ladies Bible Class, American Association of Retired Persons, and the 65th Rock Circle Home Extension Unit, senior citizen bowling league, the Kirkpatrick Homes Golden Circle Club and the Saturday Night Pinochle Club.

Her husband, Stanley V. Greene, died in 1968.

Survivors include several

cousins residing in the Quad-

City area.

Funeral services will be

today. Details are given in the

obituary column.

4 recovering after surgery

Patients at St. Elizabeth Hospital who have undergone major surgery since Thursday: Mildred L. Hause, 71, of Sixty-Three West Lincoln Highway, 309 West Chain of Rocks Road; Eugene O. Daube, Mori, Ill.; Christina Cuvat, 3815 Pontoon Road.

School voting

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expire this year and are subject to election include George Moore, Harold Davis and Donald Stucke.

School trustees favor the School election date because an election held at the same time as the city and township balloting would distract attention from the school district voting.

School elections also are to be held this year in Madison District 12 and Venice District 3.

Alex "Bob" Robertson, 65, of East St. Louis, stepfather of Granite City resident Arnold of Granite City, died at 11:15 p.m. Friday at his home.

He was a member of the Eagles Aerie 1126, Granite City, and was employed as a food tender at Fairmount and Cahokia Downs race tracks.

Mr. Robertson formerly was business agent of Bartenders and Waiters Local 331.

Survivors include his wife, three other stepchildren, one brother and a sister.

Funeral services will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Rosary Church, Fairmount City.

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SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE. Jack E. Vizer (center), 1645 Spruce St., Granite City, of the Electrical Section, Design Branch, Engineering Division, has received a sustained superior performance award from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District. Lt. Col. Richard W. Gell, (left), deputy district engineer, is shown presenting the award. Jack Niemi, (right), chief, Engineering Division, attended the presentation. The award signifies performance for at least six months which meets standards for satisfactory performance in every respect and which clearly exceeds such standards on the majority of major duties critical to the total job. Vizer's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vizer, 1635 Olive St.

Fear fraud in watch 'sales'

Illinois Attorney General William J. Scott estimates 100,000 digital watches sold for \$1.95 digital watches ordered from a company may be victims of a \$1,000,000-plus mail order fraud, he alleged Thursday after obtaining a temporary court order blocking further withdrawals of money from Chicago area banks.

About 100 in the local metropolitan area ordered

watches through Parade and TV Guide advertisements in December but have not received them.

The Teltronics, Limited, president has gone to Mexico.

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Tires were not factor in deputy's death—Maeras

Madison County Sheriff John Maeras today told the Press Record he does not believe there is any truth to allegations by a Madison County deputy coroner that worn tires may have contributed to the accident Thursday morning in which Deputy James R. Abel was fatally injured.

Maeras said he is investigating reports that up to three of the tires on Deputy Abel's patrol car were worn, but said the cars are inspected daily and he doubts the tires could have caused the accident.

He agreed that patrol cars do not use snow tires, but said they do use steel-belted radial tires. "Which I understand are just as good on snow as snow tires," Maeras said today.

"No tires, not even snow tires, help much on ice," the sheriff added, noting Deputy Abel's car went out of control on slick ice and then struck a utility pole.

Maeras agreed the cars have more than 85,000 miles use, and we should expect only about 50,000 miles use from them in a year, but all are in as good a shape as possible and everyone a deputy complains of a problem with a car, it is fixed immediately," he concluded.

"Our present cars average 80 miles per gallon, and we spend \$10,000 to \$12,000 a year on tires. We have a good deal of wear on them in yearly, but all are in as good a shape as possible and everyone a deputy complains of a problem with a car, it is fixed immediately," he concluded.

"Our present cars average

Factors beyond his control will affect Thompson record

By KEN WATSON

SPRINGFIELD — Developments beyond his control could determine the fate of Republican Gov.-elect James R. Thompson's unique two-year administration.

Thompson has been criticized lately for seemingly spending too much time in Washington and becoming mesmerized by future presidential politics.

However, the fact of the matter is that — White House

dreaming aside — Thompson

would be well disposed to

keep a close watch on develop-

ments in the nation's capital.

For what transpires in

Washington, the state or

anywhere else could have a

tremendous influence on how

effective Thompson will be in

steering Illinois through a

difficult period.

Ironically, Thompson's own fate in Illinois is linked closely to that of Democratic President-elect Jimmy Carter, both of them unfired in high office.

The unprecedented chal-

lenge facing Thompson is

financially. His ad-

ministration will glide into of-

fice in January on the thin-

ice of fiscal reserve

known in decades.

For a few months, a

couple of bad breaks, and

Thompson could find himself

governor of a bankrupt state

and headed for early political

oblivion.

But there have been a num-

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layoffs about the state since

the latest report was issued

and the employment picture

is not far from encouraging.

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treasury.

growth rates in the '70s per-

centage-wise.

Now the growth rate is

about a fourth of that.

Any further deterioration

would indeed be cause for

concern. For who has been

keeping Illinois fiscally afloat

the past several years has

been an annual increase of

from \$400 million to \$600 mil-

lion in additional revenue.

The unemployment rate in

Illinois has been hovering be-

tween 7 and 8 per cent during

the past year. It was reported

at 7.3 per cent in November

and December. A year ago the

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Grain dealers will discuss Alton dam

By RON CORNWELL
County Agricultural Advisor
A discussion of the Alton locks and dam controversy will be a featured topic at the University of Illinois Grain Dealers Conference.

The conference is scheduled for Jan. 19 and 20 at the Ramada Inn, Champaign.

The Alton locks and dam replacement or repair discussion will be on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 19. The program participants will cover "Will We Build It?" and "Who Will Pay For It?"

An open review of the Alton locks and dam situation will be given by William Pearce, vice-president of Cargill.

William Sutton of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will update the audience on the project. Dick Wilson, vice-president of barging operations, will give "large lines" views on the project.

Mark Smith, director of marketing, Missouri-Pacific Railroad, will discuss railroads' views on the project.

Other topics on the program include grain inspection, soil and water conservation, and an update on audience's new grain inspection system and how it is working, and some proposals for changes in corn and soybean grading.

Topics on the second day of the program include the world fats and oils situation, price prospects for grains and soybeans, plus palm oil and its competitive position.

The 1977 urban pesticide dealers' clinic is scheduled for Jan. 13 at Augustine's Restaurant in Belleville.

The program is designed to update custom pesticide applicators who service the urban areas.

A representative of the Illinois Department of Agriculture will be present at the meeting to give licensing information to those interested in becoming licensed.

Areas covered by the exam include fruit crop pest control applicators, vegetable crop pest control applicators, lawn and turf pest control applicators, aquatic weed pest control applicators, right-of-way pest control applicators and forest pest control applicators.

The agriculture pesticide applicators' clinic will be held Feb. 15 at Monticlaire Bowling

League, Edwardsville. Those interested in a commercial agriculture pest applicators license should attend this program.

Siphoning is a handy technique for emptying a pool or a stopped-up sink. But if your car, lawnmower or tractor is out of gasoline, don't try siphoning gas from another vehicle even on an emergency basis. Clinical studies have shown that gasoline can cause serious damage if inhaled or ingested.

The greatest danger, according to medical authorities, is not the effect in the stomach but in the lungs. When gasoline is taken into the lungs, for example, a certain amount may enter the lungs, where it spreads out and causes immediate irritation and tissue damage.

The destruction of the tissue in the lungs is the stage to fill with fluid, and the victim literally drowns in his own fluid.

This brings up two points of safety. One is, don't siphon gasoline for any purpose. Second, don't siphon gasoline in pools both in other unmarked containers where children might accidentally drink the contents.

A completely revised edition of the "Dairy, Housing and Equipment Handbook" has been published by the Midwest Plans Service.

The new edition contains 104 pages of information about planning dairy facilities and constructing do-it-yourself equipment.

Chapters in the book cover: farm planning, milking equipment, housed milking centers, calf housing, ventilation, manure management, bunk design, feeding equipment, fencing and handling equipment.

The milking center chapter contains valuable information on heating, ventilation, floor and wall construction, equipment capacity, and water supply.

Guidelines are given on planning milking parlors; holding, hospital and maternity areas; and waste disposal systems.

Cost of the revised edition is \$3. It can be purchased from the Madison County Extension office.

1877 President, Senate races decided in Illinois

The still-unsettled Presidential election of Nov. 7, 1877, and the election of a U.S. senator by the General Assembly claimed a major part of the attention of Illinois newspapers in January a hundred years ago.

A check of century-old papers in the Illinois State Historical Library shows, however, there were several other events to distract Illinoisans from politics in January 1877.

Among these were the religious services and festivities ushering in the new year, the inauguration and trials ushering in a new governor, Shelly M. Cullom.

The newspapers continued to carry reports of the various movements of troops and supplies in preparation for the Presidential election. In dispute were 30 electoral votes which could give the election to the Democrat, Gov. Samuel J. Tilden of New York. His popular Republican governor, Rutherford B. Hayes, by more than a quarter-million.

Congress had sidestepped the issue by appointing a special committee of seven, five representatives and four Supreme Court justices, who were equally divided between Democrats and Republicans.

The four justices were to determine a fifth member of the bench who would be acceptable to both sides.

The proceedings had reached this point by mid-January and the committee reported that Justice David Davis of Illinois would be that fifth member.

Before this could be accomplished, however, the Illinois General Assembly had already named Davis to the U.S. Senate.

On Jan. 16, the Rock Island Daily Argus reported that the state legislature's first "in-

formal" vote had been 97 for the incumbent, John A. Logan (R), and 89 for former governor John Palmer (D), with seven for Davis. Those who had nominated him as an independent and a few for other candidates.

After 40 ballots over the next ten days, Springfield's Illinois State Journal announced that Davis had been "elected by a large majority" of the independent and Democratic members of the legislature.

This saved Davis from the difficult task of naming the next President, a task assigned to Justice Joseph P. Bradley, a Republican who was acceptable to the Democrats but who then voted with the Hayes supporters to elect the new governor.

While the Illinois senatorial election had been the month's most suspenseful political event, the inauguration of the new governor Jan. 7 was more exciting.

The inaugural parade included more than a dozen military units from Springfield, Peoria, Jacksonville and Quincy. The inauguration took place in the new Capitol's Representatives' Hall.

The desks had been removed, and the floor "was packed with chairs crowded closely together."

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World imperiled by those who control energy sources

By LESTER BELL
Press-Record

Washington Bureau

The potential effect of higher Arab oil prices on an already battered world economy will be explored this week by Sen. Adlai E. Stevenson, D-Ill., and Sen. George P. Shultz, D-Calif. In a statement, they said the Senate Committee on Banking,

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Housing and Urban Affairs has scheduled hearings for Jan. 5 and 6.

"These hearings are intended to provide a forum for exploring solutions to the increasingly intractable problem of preserving financial stability and

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restoring the nation and the world—now that control over its most vital resources has been taken from its hands," they said.

The organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) three

years ago increased the price of their oil fivefold.

Since then, consuming members have paid \$225 billion more for the oil and have lost \$600 billion in production.

For a second round of price increases, OPEC met at Qatar Dec. 17 and agreed on a two-tier price boost.

Saudi Arabia, the biggest

producer, and the United Arab Emirates agreed to hold their increase to five per cent for the year, while the remaining 11 members said they would begin with a 10 per cent increase and raise that to 15 per cent in two stages in the next two years.

Stevenson and Shultz

think the "news from Qatar" suggested a chink in the oil

cartel's armor.

"It forcefully demonstrates once again how the fate of the world is determined by a handful of nations which control the price of oil," the senators asserted.

They noted that the "world is still struggling to emerge from the devastating inflation and recession" triggered by the 1973 OPEC price increases.

The two estimated that the 1973 increases this year alone will cost the United States two million jobs, \$60 billion in lost gross national product, and a growing trade imbalance of

between \$40 billion and \$60 billion.

The world economy is also faltering, they continued.

They enumerated a host

of indicators:

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2. Growing unemployment.

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"The immediate issue is not the decision announced by Qatar," Stevenson and Proxmire said. "The issue is how to prevent a deepening worldwide recession and all the political and the social turmoil that pendents."

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State health department marks 100th anniversary

By MARY RICHARDS

The year 1977 will be a very special one for the Illinois Department of Public Health. It will mark the department's one-hundredth birthday.

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Without the Illinois Department of Public Health, most of these services which you may not be available to the more than 11 million residents of the state.

So during this centennial year of the state health department try to look at once in a while and about the many ways in which it helps safeguard the health and welfare of you and your family.

If you want more information about the services of the state health department, contact your local health department, or write to: Illinois Department of Public Health, Division of Education and Information, 525 West Jefferson, Springfield, Ill. 62781.

Suit challenges legality of GC licensing measure

A circuit court suit challenges the constitutionality of a Granite City ordinance that requires payment of a \$500 license fee by distributors of cigarette vending machines.

The ordinance has been filed in Circuit Court at Edwardsville, the City Council was informed last week.

The suit has been filed by Alvin S. Feldman, an University student, an individual and as operator of the Illinois Vending Co., also known as the Illinois Cigarette Sales Co., who alleged that terms of the ordinance have no regard for the number of machines to be distributed under the \$500 license fee.

The ordinance sets a fee of \$500 for distributors of cigarette vending machines not owned by the distributor, and a similar \$500 fee for those distributors of machines on premises owned by the distributor.

The complaint charges that the reason to designate the number of machines results in a classification "which is

unreasonable" and provides "no legitimate regulation."

Therefore, the ordinance violates the Equal Protection Clause of the Illinois Constitution.

In council action last week, the aldermen approved a request of Chief of Police Ronald Veizer for \$300 expenses to attend the semi-annual conference of the Illinois Chiefs of Police Jan. 22 through Jan. 23.

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Tariff rates in effect by Jan. 1, 1977. Granite City Rural Route 1 \$19.60 per year, first second zone \$22.20 per year, sixth zone \$23.80 per year, fourth zone \$23.40 per year, fifth zone \$24.90 per year, sixth zone \$24.80 per year, seventh zone \$24.40 per year, eighth zone \$24.90 per year. Six months one-half annual rate. Service \$1.80 per year, \$4.00 per 6 months, elsewhere in the world.

Comment and analysis

Busy Tri-City Regional Port can be of further value to entire St. Louis metropolitan area as foreign trade zone

The Tri-City Regional Port District, whose facilities have been in operation since 1965, handled 1.4 million tons of goods in the latest fiscal year, about half of it representing import-export operations. It expects to handle 3.3 million tons, by 1980.

Adding to the potential is a report by Carl A. Reutel, general manager of the port district, that many local and foreign businesses have indicated strong interest in using a foreign trade zone if one can be established here.

The district last week filed an application in Washington to establish such a trade zone in its industrial park, along the Chain of Rocks Canal.

We urge the Foreign Trade Zones Board of the U. S. Department of Commerce to act favorably on the application following the February public hearing in this area.

The zone would contain 47 acres, of which 14.74 acres could be designated initially as the active portion of the zone, with the balance for future expansion. The zone site is in the Tri-City Industrial Center, a 127-acre, industrial park west of Route 151 (Great River Road) and along the canal.

A foreign trade zone is an enclosed, policed area in a port of entry, into which foreign goods may be transported, stored, exhibited, manufactured or reshipped before any duties are imposed. Import taxes are paid when the merchandise leaves the zone.

Damaged goods or re-exported goods are not subject to duty.

End to this state's politics of confrontation is forecast

Press-Record Springfield Bureau — There is a significant aspect of the appointment of Donald Smith to replace Alan Dixon as state treasurer that ought not be overlooked.

It is the marked contrast between the tactics employed by Governor-elect James Thompson and Gov. Dan Walker.

Thompson has displayed a willingness to compromise while Walker has gone down battling, taking a position and refusing to budge from it. Maybe state government will see an end to the politics of confrontation.

The issue of naming a replacement for Dixon became bogged down when it should not have.

Dixon ran for secretary of state and was elected. He had two options: he could resign now and let Walker appoint a successor, or he could wait until the day of his inauguration, Jan. 10, and let Thompson make the choice.

Logically, so Dixon felt he should have some voice in the appointment and he tried to reach an agreement with Walker. Perhaps a recommendation, but the governor apparently would not reciprocate.

He said, he would consider Dixon's recommendation along with other candidates, but he would not let Dixon know who the other candidates were.

Indications increased that Walker was going to let matters slide until Dixon took over his new office; then the governor would appoint a successor.

When Dixon was unable to make any progress with Walker, he began

foreign trade zones are designed to heavily impact U. S. balance of trade payments and generate employment opportunities while saving costs for importers and exporters.

If the application is approved, it is believed certain that the zone will be utilized by St. Louis metropolitan area and surrounding vicinity companies. "Use of the zone can help keep such companies competitive in the markets they serve," Port Board Chairman John N. Bellhoff has commented.

Work on the trade zone started in mid-1975 when the Illinois legislature and governor approved an amendment to Tri-City Port's general resolution, permitting the port to apply for the zone.

Bellhoff adds, "The site is ideally situated for intermodal freight operations. It is served by Route 151, a four-lane divided highway with convenient access to the Interstate system. Rail access is provided directly to the site by Illinois Terminal Railroad. Access by water is through the Tri-City Port's full-service public port facilities, which can handle bulk cargo, general cargo and container shipments."

The Tri-City Port has estimated the cost of putting the zone into operation at \$1,375,000. Site improvements and building construction are to be financed through after-tax financing and revenue bonding. User fees would be collected to retire the debt incurred.

The imaginative plan can be a boon to the entire bi-state region and deserves to be implemented as rapidly as possible.

discussions with Thompson.

The compromise worked out by Dixon and Thompson is the result of their ability to sit down and find a non-political solution to the problem.

Dixon, although a Republican, is regarded more as a professional state employee than a politician. He pledged not to seek election to the post in 1978.

A Springfield resident who is well qualified to be appointed in state circles, he has served as chief fiscal officer under three state treasurers, William J. Scott, Adlai Stevenson III and Dixon.

We are sure that his experience will guarantee continued smooth operation of the office under his tutelage.

It is unfortunate for the Democratic Party that Gov. Walker had to pursue his confrontation politics to the very end of his term in office.

We still have only Dixon's version of the latest situation; Walker refuses to provide any details.

It is unfortunate refusing to comment, Walker finally responded by attacking both Dixon and Thompson for their "deal." He carefully avoided the central issue: why he and Dixon could not make a deal.

The people of Illinois are fortunate they will have a competent state treasurer for the next two years.

We hope that during the same period, state government will operate in a more cooperative atmosphere. Governor-elect Thompson's conduct in this matter is a good omen for the future.

Nameoki supervisor's record praised

To the Editor:

The Press-Record article of Dec. 16, when the second ticket for Nameoki Township offices was announced, was no surprise to us.

But there were several statements by Mike Ropac their chairman with which we disagree.

Supervisor Louis Whitsell never requested to be seated with any of that organization and never ran together with any of them, except the officials that he publicly rejected Sept. 2, 1976.

The Sept. 2 news report stated, "Whitsell did not appear to support the present highway commissioners, town clerk or supervisor because the (he believes) they failed to consider

the people of the township."

Major efforts to oppose Mr. Whitsell have always developed in Nameoki Township, led by Ropac, since Whitsell refused to take orders from him in 1971.

If that was not intended to other political leaders to effectively serve, they don't know him.

He has never been supported by the "machine" and he has always fought for the good of the people.

Each elected official is allowed, by law, to operate his own office.

No individual can overrule or otherwise influence the actions of elected officials.

Therefore, it becomes difficult to serve the people if other

officials who were elected to serve citizens fail to consider citizens' needs.

It also must be pointed out that two members of that organization, reported as chairman, the Democratic and Republican precinct committee, do not represent the feelings of all the precinct committee.

It is everyone's constitutional right to run for office, but let's stop mudslinging, because we are in Nameoki Township.

Continued program would be retained in Nameoki Township.

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State bond debt service cost a major budget item

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Illinois taxpayers are now paying more for debt service on state general obligation bonds than for general revenue fund appropriated for the bonded operating costs of the Departments of Business and Economic Development, Conservation, Children and Family Services, Agriculture, Revenue and Public Health.

The habit of borrowing against the state's full faith and credit is firmly ingrained in Illinois state government and outstanding debt in Illinois has skyrocketed since 1970.

The funds raised by the state through the sale of general obligation (GO) bonds pay for highways, mental health and higher education buildings, mass transit facilities, state park facilities and other expenses.

They pay for non-capital expenditures, such as veterans bonuses.

The state's total GO bonded indebtedness was \$509 million on June 30, 1976, up from \$331 million. But on June 30, 1976, it had climbed to the record total of \$2,133 billion.

That means an increase of more than 500 per cent during the last six years.

Selling long-term bonds also means paying for them, eventually.

The debt service requirement—the annual amount needed to make the required principal and interest payments—has followed a similar down and up pattern during the last 11 years.

The debt service requirement from the state's general revenue fund during fiscal 1966 was \$36,782,250.

In 1976, this total had dropped to \$14,301,750.

For 1977, the current state fiscal year, it will be \$112,624,550 on bonds outstanding June 30, 1976.

On top of that, the state's road fund—financed mainly by gasoline taxes and license fees—is tapped for an additional \$25 million.

This brings the total GO debt service requirements for 1977 to \$137,576,750, excluding principal and interest requirements for bonds issued during fiscal 77.

Debt service now ranks as a major state budget item.

Each year, the Illinois General Assembly appropriates the money to pay the debt service, but in reality the lawmakers have little choice.

Once the bonds are sold, the state is obligated to pay the money back.

Failure to do so would bring financial catastrophe as we saw in the case of New York City.

But Illinois is far from any New York-type situation.

The state's latest GO bond offering in September was given the highest rating, AAA, by major bond rating services.

The AAA rating assures Illinois a lower rate of interest than most other state and national governments.

In fact, Illinois was able to sell major offerings at year substantially under six

per cent net interest rate.

Ratings change, however, and are determined separately on the basis of the state's economic conditions, wealth and standing at the time.

A lowered rating would be costly in terms of higher interest payments.

Illinois' strong rating also assures greater marketability of its bonds.

For instance, the September offering of \$100 million brought a price of \$100 million.

The state's GO bonds outstanding as of June 30, 1976, were \$100 million.

But the GO sector is made up of both general obligations and revenue bonds.

However, the revenue bonds are more a matter of some fancy footwork than a true revenue bond situation.

Most revenue bonds were issued to help with limitations under the 1970 Constitution and to finance additional state facilities.

The state legislature each year appropriates rental payments from its general funds to pay off these bonds.

So far, the rental payments have more than matched the debt service requirements.

As a matter of fact, the Illinois Building Authority has built up a sinking fund of \$126 million on \$398 million total of bonds outstanding.

One key question is: How much debt is too much?

Top state officials do not agree.

Comptroller George Lindberg says it is not prudent to sell GO bonds at a record high pace, doubling the state's per capita debt in three years.

But Governor Daniel Walker says the relatively low interest rates which Illinois is able to maintain compared to the rest of the country is due to the state's fiscal condition of the state.

Under this constitution, referendums were approved for bonds used to finance mental health institutions, buildings at state colleges and universities and construction of municipal sewage treatment plants and solid waste disposal facilities.

More recently, bonds have been approved by the legislature for a variety of capital development projects.

Such referendums were required to be held annually, but Walker has eliminated that requirement.

Under the previous constitution, state bonds were required to be voted on by the legislature.

Such bonds should dovetail with the consideration of the normal amount for state spending.

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elementary and secondary school construction, construction of highways, mass transportation facilities and public airports, and for the development of our coal resources.

The state of Illinois has been in the general obligation sector rather than in revenue bonds.

The need to rely on revenue bonds was made by the new constitution and the amount of bonds outstanding has actually declined.

In the GO sector, sales of bonds by the state of Illinois has been accelerating.

During the last fiscal year, \$450 million in GO's were floated.

The previous fiscal year saw \$150 million sold. This fiscal year, \$400 million in bonds are planned for sale.

That amounts to a massive amount of debt securities for a state with less than \$300 million principal amount of GO bonds outstanding as recently as 1970.

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Most revenue bonds were issued to help with limitations under the 1970 Constitution and to finance additional state facilities.

Even without new authorizations by the legislature, the use of bonds to balance budgets could continue for some time.

Illinois has more than \$1.8 billion in uninsured authority to issue bonds each year.

The September 1976 issue of the Illinois Constitution still leaves over \$1.1 billion of uninsured authority.

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One way of dealing with the problem is to treat bonding as one of many financing tools.

The State Comptroller says the consideration of new bonds should dovetail with the consideration of the normal amount for state spending.

To treat bonding as an alternative to neatly balance the budget is misleading.

First and foremost, banks are the principal issuing and redemption agents for bonds—issuing 80 per cent of all Series B bonds outstanding well over 90 per cent of all redemption transactions.

This puts the bond program squarely in the midst of virtually every community in the nation, an invaluable asset for any sales program.

Bankers actively support the bond program in their local communities, in their states, and at the national level.

The American Bankers Association savings bonds committee participates in many promotional activities, as it has since the program began.

Too often, people think the bonding program is an important part of the banking community.

Thousands of bankers actively promote the bond program through their savings bonds committees.

The county-level volunteer organizations—grassroots bond sales forces—led by bankers. Many savings bonds chairman are bankers.

How did banking and the bond program come to be so close? In the summer of 1954, when all banks offer their own savings plans which would seem to be in direct competition with savings bonds.

As performance ratings of judges plan judges were rated more highly than those who were not.

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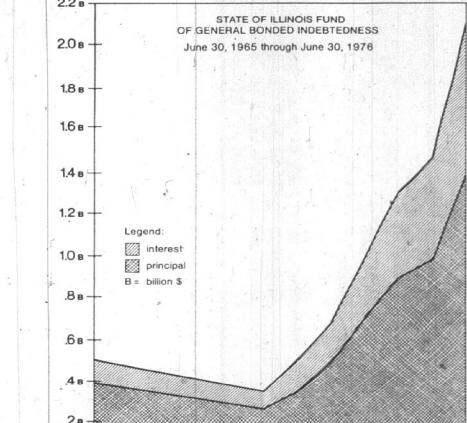
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Bank-aided savings bonds cut taxes

To the Editor:

The spirit of volunteerism has long permeated the American way of life. Thousands of good citizens have been recruited because of the willingness of individual citizens to support them with time, talent and money.

Since its inception in 1941, the U.S. Savings Bonds Program has owed its success to the hundreds of thousands of individuals from all walks of life who actively support bond campaigns.

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could depress production readings for a month or two, but even then business activity for the year should be able to hold above the prior year.

Admittedly, however, the advances over a year ago will likely be more moderate in the second half than for the first two quarters of the approaching annum.

LIGHT OVERCAST AHEAD

While overall prospects for 1977 are favorable, the economy won't be free of trouble spots.

One of the most important will be the damped but still unquenched fire of inflation, which in recent years has wrought havoc with public confidence.

Part of the inflation potential is the economy's vulnerability to rising energy costs from a hike in OPEC oil prices and the possibility of higher prices for domestic natural gas.

There will also be pressure on industrial wholesale prices in the wake of climbing wages and other operating costs.

In addition, the consumer front will be active again. Besides the steel industry, the railroads and some construction groups face contract negotiations.

On the international scene, there will be military and monetary parts that must be carefully watched.

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT

U.S. gross national product (GNP) in the first half of 1976 was produced in current dollars should be able to show an increase approximately 12 per cent over 1976.

This is not widely at variance from the rate of expansion seen by GNP in 1975.

Because of the pattern of year-over-year growth during 1976—sizeable margin in the first quarter, but disappointingly modest gains in the remaining quarters—periods of growth in 1977 in GNP in 1977 may well score its widest improvement during the second quarter.

In terms of constant dollars (in inflation), the nation's real GNP will move ahead at a milder pace.

The rate of inflation is expected to account about half the GNP in current dollars. Assuming no further surprises, GNP in 1977 may increase by only about 6 per cent over the deflated GNP of 1976.

Although such an increment may seem moderate, it would represent a respectable annual rise in terms of the economy's historical rate of growth.

STRENGTH FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR

A real positive outlook for 1977 business is the likelihood that the bulk of the anticipated upturn will stem from the private sector of the economy.

Consumer expenditures for personal consumption should be in the forefront of the rise in the GNP. Over much of 1976, consumers have been reluctant to buy, but the staff of Babson's Report looks for some loosening of purse strings in the second half.

There should be good support from residential construction and especially since many families in the latter days of 1976, whereas most of the comeback in home building had previously been borne by single-family units.

Spending on services, long in a well defined upturn, should continue to move higher.

There will be increased government spending, but this will be modest. Most of the goods substantially as much of the rise in outlays must be allocated for wages, climbing prices for supplies, and debt service.

INFLATION WILL REMAIN WORRISOME

In 1976, some progress was

made in the task of braking the inflation rate.

Much credit must be accorded the food sector, which benefited from another bumper outturn of agricultural products in the second half of 1976.

However, prices of industrial commodities took a turn upward.

Though the fever of inflation has been somewhat lowered in recent months, it is not over.

After all, consumer demand has been indecisive and spotty, prices have been based on the weak side, and there has been little accumulation of productive capacity for most items. But some inventory accumulation is likely, much of this in steel and ferrous-based products as a hedge against a possible steel strike.

Stronger consumer demand and the upturn in industrial commodity prices will also encourage forward buying, though we doubt that inventory accumulation will be carried to extremes.

MORE SUPPORT FROM CAPITAL SPENDING

Economic observers who have been skeptical of the last year's strong economic recovery point to the lack of vibrancy in business investment for new plant and equipment.

This is not an abnormal development, however, during the early-to-middle phase of an economic cyclical expansion.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

During much of 1976, industrial output trended upward. But some hesitancy was seen in the late summer and early fall due in part to the auto strike and the deceleration in the steel industry.

The pause in the recovery of industrial activity, however, should be supplanted by renewed vitality during the first half of 1977.

The outcome of labor talks in the steel industry and the magnitude of strike-hedge inventory accumulation will, of course, affect the profile of the production curve in the second half of the year.

A long strike would hurt industrial output, but the absorption of the stoppage would result in a rebound after the strike.

On the other hand, if a walkout were brief or entirely averted, industrial production should be well maintained, though upward momentum may be temporarily checked until stockpiles were digested.

For much of 1976, year-to-monthly comparisons of industrial production showed substantial gains in the early over 1975 simply because the early portion of 1975 saw industrial output in the sharp second half of the year.

Much of this will be the result of purchases of new equipment rather than large-scale expansion of plant or additions.

Environmental protection requirements will continue to capture a significant share of business capital expenditures.

So, there is little likelihood that 1977 will see a capital spending boom of the type that nurtured the periods of economic upsurge in the 1950s and 1960s.

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While the remaining months of 1976 are not yet over, production rates were still well below the 1973-1974 peak range.

Year-ago comparisons in 1977 will reveal more limited gains, but the net result for the full year should be an increase of about 4 per cent over 1976.

This is not likely to match the expected climb in the real GNP.

Still, industrial production will move into new high ground, at least during the first half of the new year.

Among the stronger lines should be auto and trucks, motor vehicle parts, both original and replacement, aluminum, fabricated metal products, lumber and forest products, computer and peripheral equipment, home furnishings, and minerals extracted—assuming no protracted-coal mine strike.

CHANGE IN INVENTORY POLICIES?

During parts of 1975 and 1976, consumers' unusually supplied inventories in anticipation of higher prices and possible shortages, and at a time of

already brisk demand.

This demand sustained business at a peak level some six months or so, but when the inevitable correction arrived, virtual panic liquidation precipitated the painful recession of late 1974 and early 1975.

Since then, inventory policies have been wary. Until recently there has been little incentive to do more in the way of forward buying.

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ANOTHER BUSY LABOR YEAR

With the spotlight on the steel industry's negotiations over new contracts, the year ahead promises to be another year of brisk activity on the labor front.

Though not as numerous as in 1976, major labor pacts expire in 1977, with some close to 3 million workers.

In addition to steel, other sectors facing contract talks include communications, aluminum, clothing, and facets of the construction field.

There could be trouble in the coal fields again, with a repeat of the wildcat walkouts of 1976. And if nothing for the top spots of several unions could produce some unwanted work stoppages.

Despite labor's support for President-elect Carter, there should be a strong appeal from the White House for moderate, noninflationary demands in contract talks.

But union negotiators will almost certainly press for all the traffic will be in direct negotiations, and a wide variety of fringe benefits, spurred by the inflation-eroded purchasing power of take-home pay over much of the past two years.

Given the high cost of living, it is quite likely that a per cent increase in 1977 is about as much as can be expected.

At this time, however, reimposition of wage-price controls does not seem likely, though the threat of such a move might well be used to fashion peaceful and moderate settlements.

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CORPORATE PROFITS

Business profits in 1976 scored a sizable increase over the year before.

This reflected generally favorable raw materials costs, selected price increases, and higher volume.

We anticipate another good increase in 1977, but the tempo of advance will doubtless be considerably slower than that of 1976.

On the strength of the projected further climb in business, a 10 per cent gain in business profits for 1977 over those for 1976 should be attainable.

The will appear pale compared with the estimated 25 per cent rise for 1976, but there will be plenty of room for more liberal dividend abatements.

Given the strength of the economy's recovery, we expect corporate liquidity has been considerably improved.

It is more than likely, however, that the biggest year-over-year gains in corporate profits will come in the first quarters of 1977.

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experienced notable strength.

With mortgage money adequate-to-ample and with mortgage interest rates far less than they were in the most recent crisis, not too much is to be gained.

We anticipate another rise in new housing starts for 1977, aided by the perky pace of multi-family housing construction late in 1976.

However, with high building costs, burdensome property taxes, and restrictive conservation, environmental, and zoning regulations acting as significant restraints to large-scale speculative building, it is unlikely that 1977 will reach the 2-million-unit mark for a third year.

A goal of 1.8 million starts seems more realistic at this juncture, compared with about 1.5 million for 1976. Industrial and commercial construction will make only modest gains in coming year.

EMPLOYMENT—PERSONAL INCOME—WAGES

Nineteen Hundred Seventy-seven prospects for employment and personal income favor new record levels for both these important economic variables.

Employment in manufacturing and services should be augmented by a quickening in the building field which has been lackluster over the past two years.

The average factory work week should lengthen somewhat. Thus, with improvements in wage rates and salaries, the cost per person income in 1977 is for a climb of 12 per cent.

Transfer payments and investment income should also provide some uplift. But net after-tax rates will not rise commensurately with gross personal income.

Also, unemployment will remain a sticky problem, around 7 per cent.

CONSUMER AND GOVERNMENT SPENDING

Total consumer spending is expected to rise stronger in 1977 than was the case in 1976. While this will be due in part to higher personal income, the rate of purchasing should also be up by a comfortable margin.

Increased employment and rising income levels will make consumers more positive.

Consumers, however, are extremely sensitive to the threat of inflation, and rising prices could bring about spells of pessimism.

Public expenditures at all levels of government will increase in 1977, a result of both inflation and a plethora of assistance and social programs.

Some of these programs will be forced to make some trade-offs because of budget and debt squeezes, plus mounting demand by irate

taxpayers for spending curbs.

As for the higher government, higher spending is already assured by the present budget which will cover the first nine months of calendar 1977 and by still another \$1 billion in defense allocations for fiscal 1978 which will be in effect over the final three months of 1977.

Federal outlays may be lifted further if efforts to stimulate business and reduce unemployment should take a more ambitious tack than now seems likely.

FARM OUTLOOK

American agricultural production was again displayed in the third best crop year on record.

This was surpassed only by 1973's peak and the second-best crop year on record.

Going into 1977, there will be good carryovers of most farm commodities. This would seem to imply planting curtailments and/or changes in the crop mix of planting and sowing coming year.

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spots 1977 will undoubtedly have its share of near-conflictions, but Babson's predicts there will be no World War III outbreak in the year ahead.

INDUSTRY SUPPLIES—INTEREST RATES

Easy money on Capitol Hill and in the Carter camp seek even more liberal expansion of money supplies.

While the Fed is loathe of the inflation dangers, we feel there will be enough money and credit for legitimate business needs.

Yet, unlike 1976, stronger demand for funds will not be matched by a corresponding stiffening in money rates.

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Dr. Estrada will have offices at Oriole Street and Broadway in the building formerly occupied by Dr. Jacob Chaffin. His offices are being remodeled.

Dr. Estrada is married to a medical doctor, Jesus Estrada, who practices in St. Louis. They have four sons, the eldest a pre-medical student at St. Louis University.

Public hearing

A public hearing to discuss proposals for the Venice Title VII project will be held at 7 p.m. in the Venice School Library.

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